

# Eagles downed

It just wasn't to be. For the Colby Eagles, that is. Their fourth straight appearance in the Class 4A State Basketball Tournament was short lived as the Eagles lost to Labette Co. 69-57 Thursday in the Salina Bicentennial Center.

The season is over for Colby, but with an very impressive 20-4 record.

The Eagles battled the Grizzlies through three quarters, but the fourth period pretty much did them in.

Labette took the lead at the first quarter buzzer, 11-8.

The Eagles won the battle in the second, 14-11 to knot the game at the half at 22.

The Grizzlies bested the Eagles by two points in the third to lead 44-42 at the horn.

But it was that final period in which Labette scorched the nets with 25 big points, while holding the Eagles to 15 that spelled the difference.

Of course of note was Labette's 18-4 run in the second half, coupled with a dramatic slice in its turnovers — committing 12 in the first half and only 6 in the second.

Meanwhile, the Eagles turned it over 15 times in the first half and matched that number in the second half.

Colby had three girls in the double figures — Jessica Stephens with 14, Lissa Mazanec 13 and Emily Sloan 12.

Others adding to the total were Marcia Kaus and Tasha Wagoner with 5 each, Zanae Baird 4, and Brittany Kersenbrock and Ashley Barnes 2 apiece.

Labette improved their record to 19-5.



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**ABOVE:** Colby High School's Ashley Barnes, sophomore (back) and Lissa Mazanec, freshmen, were stride-for-stride with one of Labette County's players during state quarterfinal action Thursday in the Salina Bicentennial Center. The Eagles lost the contest 69-57. **RIGHT:** During the first quarter, Mazanec did what she could to keep the ball for the Lady Eagles. Colby ended the season 20-4.



# SportsLine

## Eagle baseball meeting set

Coach Kevin Cox has called a meeting of Colby High School baseball players and parents for Monday at 7 p.m. in the high school commons.

## Brewster Lions to sponsor games

The Brewster Lions Club is sponsoring grade school basketball games, Tuesday, March 15, starting at 6:30 p.m. The intramural-type event is for Brewster elementary students in first through fifth grade. This annual fund-raiser is open to everyone and admission is \$2-adults and \$1-students. In addition to the games, the club will also be in charge of concessions, which open at 5:30 p.m.

All proceeds will assist the Lions Club in its charitable mission.

## Flag football scheduled

The Colby Recreation Department will be offering flag football on Saturdays beginning March 19 through April 16, said Ryan Sturdy, recreation director.

The cost to participate is \$30 with times as follows: youth in third and fourth grades: 1-2:20 p.m.; fourth and fifth grades: 2:30-4 p.m. "If there are first and second graders interested in flag football, call the Colby Recreation Department," Sturdy said.

For questions or information, call 460-4440.

## Atwood 3-on-3 entries due soon

The sixth annual Atwood Swimming Pool and Park Project 3-on-3 youth basketball Tournament entries are to be postmarked by Thursday, March 24. The tournament will be held on Saturday, April 2 beginning at 8 a.m. Entry forms: <http://atwoodpoolproject.tripod.com>, or e-mail: [argafive@ruraltel.net](mailto:argafive@ruraltel.net) for an attachment of rules and entry form.

Divisions are: Session 1— 5th-6th grade boys and 5th-6th grade girls; Session 2— 1st-2nd grade boys and 1st-2nd grade girls, and 3rd-4th grade boys and 3rd-4th grade girls; Session 3 — 7th -8th grade boys and 7th-

# Trojan baseball drops pair

The Colby Community College baseball Trojans dropped both games of their doubleheader Wednesday with #12 Seward County, 7-3 and 13-6 at the college field in Colby.

The Trojans were up 3-2 with two outs in the top of the seventh when a Saint base hit scored the tying run. In the bottom of the eighth the Trojans had runner on first and third with one out, but failed to score. Seward went ahead in the top of the ninth and the Trojans couldn't re-

spond in the bottom of the inning.

Game two saw the Saints take a 7-1 lead after three innings, but the Trojans closed the gap in the fourth to 7-5.

That was as close as they would get, though, as Saints were able to take advantage of several strange plays to finish out the game.

The Trojans' (0-2, 5-5) next contests are both at home this weekend. On Saturday they face Barton County at 1 p.m. and on Sunday they face Dodge City at 1 p.m.

## State Prep Scoreboard

(Brackets for local and area schools)

**Class 2A Girls**  
Bramlage Coliseum, Manhattan

**Today**  
3 p.m. — Hoxie (24-0) vs. Sacred Heart (22-2)  
6:30 p.m. — Sublette (24-0) vs. Onaga (19-6)

**Thursday's scores**  
**GIRLS**  
**Class 2A**  
Hoxie 80, Lyndon 26

Sacred Heart 53, Hutch Trinity 31  
Sublette 86, Trego 56  
Onaga 63, Chase Co. 50

**Class 4A**  
Wichita Collegiate 42, Clearwater 31  
Labette 69, Colby 57  
Buhler 70, Iola 46  
Tonganoxie 55, Royal Valley 29

**Class 6A**  
Olathe South 61, Junction City 48  
Blue Valley North 58, Goddard 51  
Aquinas 61, Wichita South 51  
Wichita Heights 45, Olathe E. 43

**BOYS**  
**Class 1A**  
Waverly 55, Brewster 54  
Hanston 51, Centralia 27  
Lebo 41, Tribune 34  
Macksville 63, Jewell 46

**Class 3A**  
Minneapolis 60, Wellsville 46  
Hesston 56, Nemaha Valley 54  
TMP-Marian 73, Garden Plain 64  
Fredonia 44, SE Cherokee 31

**Class 5A**  
Great Bend 73, Seaman 59  
Miege 69, McPherson 50

Topeka West 58, Wichita Kapaun 51  
Blue Valley West 56, Winfield 54

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# Top honors for Trojan cagers

## Women

All-Jayhawk Conference and All-Region VI selections were released Thursday and Colby Community College freshman Rita Kollo from Budapest, Hungary was voted the Jayhawk West Most Valuable Player and the Jayhawk West Freshman of the Year.

Kollo, who led the Jayhawk West in both scoring average with 19.7 points per game and rebounds per game with 8.19, also was voted to the All-Region VI first team.

Sophomore Jayci Stone (13.2 ppg) from Goodland and freshman

Suzana Sormaz (13.2 ppg) from Kovin, Serbia were selected to the Jayhawk West second team. Sormaz was also chosen as honorable mention to the All-Region VI team.

The Lady Trojans (25-6) defeated Fort Scott in the first round of the Region VI playoffs Wednesday evening, 100-59.

They will face Labette (25-5) in the second round Monday at 3 p.m. at the Bicentennial Center in Salina.

## Men

Colby Community College Trojan freshman Jamual Warren was

selected as the Jayhawk West Freshman of the Year Thursday.

Warren, who is from Springfield, Mass., averaged 14.1 points per game for the Trojans.

als with 1.96 per game. Warren was also selected to the Jayhawk West All-Conference Second Team.

Freshman Rashaad Singleton of Oklahoma City earned honorable mention Jayhawk West honors. Singleton averaged 12.8 points per game this season.

The Trojans (15-15) finished their season Wednesday night with an 87-74 loss to Neosho County.

The Trojans finished the conference season 6-10, which was the best finish by a Colby College Trojan squad under a first year head coach — Brian Marso — in school history.

# College men's season ends

The Colby Community College Trojan basketball men's season ended Wednesday night in Chanute with an 87-74 loss to Neosho County (24-7) in the first round of the Region VI playoffs at Chanute.

The Trojans (15-15) posted the best conference record (6-10) under the direction of a first year coach in school history. After receiving the job late in the summer, head coach Brian Marso put together a team that was competitive all season in the Jayhawk Conference, arguably the top junior college conference in the country.

indicative of how his team played. They scratched and clawed, never giving up until the final horn.

This team lost several close games this season, including a 64-62 loss at second place Seward County and a 62-61 loss at Dodge City.

They also competed very well against the Region VI number one seed and regular season Jayhawk West champion Garden City. They lost in Garden City 58-51 and at home 64-58.

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